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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: President's Comment to Senator Henry M. Jackson re Agency Performance

During a conversation with Senator Henry M. Jackson today, the Senator said he had gotten my message that I wanted to see him and was sorry he hadn't had time to get together. I said there were some intelligence developments he should know of but that we had kept Dorothy Fosdick, of his staff, advised of these. In addition, I said that the Director wanted me to be sure that Senator Jackson understood that during all of our recent involvements on the Hill we had scrupuously provided exactly the same briefing in each of our appearances and carefully stuck to the facts. Senator Jackson said he was sure this was the case, but nevertheless appreciated the Director's message. He said in fact that just last Monday (23 June) he had a talk with the President during which the President said in effect "don't you think Dick Helms is doing a good job?" to which Senator Jackson responded "absolutely--he is a real pro."

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